

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. – 28. (Canceled)

29. (Currently amended) A computer-implemented method for printing a plurality of digital images, the method comprising:

determining a subset of the plurality of digital images which require image processing to meet a defined image parameter, the subset including fewer than all of the plurality of digital images;

~~performing image processing on a first set of images including fewer than all of a plurality of images~~ the digital images in the subset to produce a first plurality of processed images;

~~after performing image processing on the first set of images,~~ activating a print engine;
and

printing the first plurality of processed images using the print engine.

30. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 29, further comprising:

performing image processing on a second set of images including fewer than all of the plurality of images to produce a second plurality of processed images; and

printing the second plurality of processed images without stopping and reactivating the print engine.

31. (Currently amended) The method of claim 29,

wherein said performing image processing on the digital images in the subset ~~first set of images~~ is performed by a print client,

wherein said activating a print engine and said printing the first plurality of processed images are performed by a print server, and wherein the method further comprises:

at the print client, transmitting the first plurality of processed images to the server over a communications bus.

32. – 35. (Canceled)

36. (Currently amended) A system for printing a plurality of digital images, the system comprising:

processing means for determining a subset of the plurality of digital images which require image processing to meet an image parameter, the subset including fewer than all of the plurality of digital images;

~~first image processing means for performing image processing on a first set of images including fewer than all of a plurality of images~~ the digital images in the subset to produce a first plurality of processed images;

print engine activation means for activating a print engine; and

first printing means for printing the first plurality of processed images using the print engine.

37. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 36, further comprising:

second image processing means for performing image processing on a second set of images including fewer than all of a plurality images to produce a second plurality of processed images; and

second printing means for printing the second plurality of processed images without stopping and reactivating the print engine.

38. – 41. (Canceled)

42. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 29, wherein the image processing comprises at least one of red-eye reduction, contrast correction, or brightness correction.

43. (Currently amended) The method of claim 29, wherein the image processing performed on the digital images in the subset ~~first set of images~~ is designated by a user.

44. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 29, further comprising:

resizing the first plurality of processed images before printing the first plurality of processed images, wherein the resizing is based on the size of an output medium upon which the first plurality of processed images will be printed.

45. (Currently amended) The method of claim 29, wherein the performing image processing comprises performing image processing such that the time required to print the first plurality of processed images is ~~reduced~~ less than the time required to print the digital images in the subset, whereby the time required to print the first plurality of processed images and the digital images from the plurality of digital images not in the subset is less than the time required to print the plurality of digital images.

46. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 36, wherein the means for performing image processing comprises means for performing at least one of red-eye reduction, contrast correction, or brightness correction.

47. (Currently amended) The system of claim 36, further comprising:
means for receiving a user designation of the image processing to be performed on the digital images in the subset ~~first set of images~~.

48. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 36, further comprising:
means for resizing the first plurality of processed images before printing the first plurality of processed images, wherein the resizing is based on the size of an output medium upon which the first plurality of processed images will be printed.

49. (Currently amended) The system of claim 36, wherein the first image processing means ~~for performing image processing~~ performs the image processing such that the time required to print the first plurality of processed images is ~~reduced~~ less than the time required to print the digital images in the subset, whereby the time required to print the first plurality of processed images and the digital images from the plurality of digital images not in the subset is less than the time required to print the plurality of digital images.

50. (Currently amended) A computer-readable storage medium comprising instructions for printing a plurality of digital images, the instructions comprising instructions for:

determining a subset of the plurality of digital images which require image processing to meet a defined image parameter, the subset including fewer than all of the plurality of digital images;

~~performing image processing on a first set of images including fewer than all of a plurality of images~~ the digital images in the subset to produce a first plurality of processed images;

~~after performing image processing on the first set of images,~~ activating a print engine;
and

printing the first plurality of processed images using the print engine.

51. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 50, the instructions further comprising instructions for:

performing image processing on a second set of images including fewer than all of the plurality of images to produce a second plurality of processed images; and

printing the second plurality of processed images without stopping and reactivating the print engine.

52. (Currently amended) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 50,

wherein said performing image processing on the digital images in the subset ~~first set of images~~ is performed by a print client,

wherein said activating a print engine and said printing the first plurality of processed images using the print engine are performed by a print server, and wherein the instructions further comprise instructions for:

the print client transmitting the first plurality of processed images to the server over a communications bus.

53. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 50, wherein the image processing comprises at least one of red-eye reduction, contrast correction, or brightness correction.

54. (Currently amended) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 50, wherein the image processing performed on the digital images in the subset ~~first set of images~~ is designated by a user.

55. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 50, the instructions further comprising instructions for:

resizing the first plurality of processed images before printing the first plurality of processed images, wherein the resizing is based on the size of an output medium upon which the first plurality of processed images will be printed.

56. (Currently amended) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 50, wherein the instructions for performing image processing comprises instructions for performing image processing such that the time required to print the plurality of digital images is ~~reduced~~ less than the time required to print the digital images in the subset, whereby the time required to print the first plurality of processed images and the digital images from the plurality of digital images not in the subset is less than the time required to print the plurality of digital images.